

'Might Have to Prosecute Garrison,' Clark Quoted

U.S. Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark was quoted as saying in Charlottesville, Va., he "might have to prosecute (New Orleans Dist. Atty.) Jim Garrison."

However, in Washington, a spokesman for the Justice Department said it has no plans to bring a case against Garrison at this time.

The spokesman also denied

that Clark had accused Garrison of ruining prominent New Orleans businessman Clay L. Shaw.

Last night, in an informal question and answer session after a speech to the University of Virginia's Student Legal Forum, Clark is quoted as saying Garrison "took a perfectly fine man, Clay Shaw, and ruined him just for personal aggrandizement."

Shaw has been charged by Garrison with conspiring to murder President John F. Kennedy.

A reporter for the Charlottesville Daily Progress further quoted Clark with saying, "Much as I may hate to do it, I just might have to prosecute Jim Garrison."

He is not reported as elaborating on his remark, and did not specify what federal charge he contemplated against the D.A.